

VOTING HEAVIER THAN USUAL

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

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Congress Finally Takes Action

American Industry a Peace-Time Creature

You have often heard it said that it takes "seven men behind the lines to maintain one soldier." A good illustration of the way industry is bound up with national defense appears in the prolonged debate in congress over war taxes — for while the debate raged little or nothing was done about the actual manufacture of arms. Fortunately the skies cleared Monday, when the House Ways & Means Committee finally approved a corporation excess profits tax and a plant amortization plan.

Tension Rises As the Balkan States Clash

German Raids
Continue As
British Bomb
Italy and Berlin

BUDAPEST — (AP) — Rumanian armed forces clashed Tuesday with Soviet Russian and Hungarian air forces and with Russian troops as southeastern Europe's tension mounted.

A Rumanian fighter plane shot down a Hungarian bomber over Hunagarian soil Tuesday morning the foreign office announced.

At the same time reports reached Budapest diplomats of a bloody skirmish on the Russian-Rumanian frontier Sunday morning with the loss of hundreds of troops on both sides. At least two Rumanian planes were shot down the reports said.

Fighting, which dispatches said occurred just north of Dorohoi, northern Moldavia, were reported to have started late Sunday and lasted several hours. It was resumed Monday.

Foreign military attaché in Bucharest estimated that more than 300 Rumanian soldiers were slain.

Nazi Might Arbitrate
BERLIN — (AP) — Informal sources said Tuesday night that Germany might arbitrate in the Hungarian-Rumanian territorial dispute over Transylvania and possibly with Italian aid.

The long-drawn-out Turn-Severin negotiations are linking the Axis partners who have repeatedly acknowledged interest in a quick settlement for the sake of appeasement in the Balkans, these sources said.

Italy Heavily Bombed
LONDON — (AP) — Heavy bomber blows which left Italian industrial plants shattered and smoking from the effects of tons of explosives were reported by Britain Tuesday who was harassed herself by night-long German raids and fighting of new day-light air attacks.

Fiat Airplane, Tank and Motor Works at Turin and Magneto Marelli factory which makes electrical equipment there were raided by RAF pilots who made a long double flight over France and also with six tons of bombs the air ministry announced.

For 40 minutes bombs rained on Turin objectives, the air ministry said, setting strings of fires.

Air-raids were reported against Germany where Berlin had a 40-minute night alarm.

These forays were reported as new flights of German bombers attacked Britain's coast in daylight attacks after night alarms which opened a new phase of the "around-the-clock" air war on Britain.

Swiss Object
BERN — (AP) — The Swiss government Tuesday asked Great Britain to "immediately and scrupulously" to enforce orders given to the royal airforce to cease alleged continued violations over Swiss territory in flights to Italy.

The Swiss government met Tuesday to discuss "repeated violations" over Swiss territory after night flights across Switzerland, presumably by British planes, in which a number of persons were injured by the dropping fragments of anti-aircraft shells fired at high flying craft.

British Troop Bombed
BERLIN — (AP) — British troop con-

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CRANIUM CRACKERS

Unusual Jobs
Here are five questions about trades which are not very common. Can you tell the type of work performed by each?

1. What does a cooper do?
2. For what type of company does an actuary work? What does he do?
3. What is a winnwright?
4. What kind of work does a wheelwright do?
5. What is the task of a hostler?

Answers on Comic Page

15 Girls Are Nominated for Queen Contest

Winner Will
Reign Over
County Fair Here
September 9-14

They're off! Here are the names of the girls in Hope and Hempstead county who will compete for the honor of being Queen of the Hempstead County Fair.

Carolyn Trimble
Martha Waddle
Martha Ann Singleton,
Dorothy Henry
Rose Marie Hendrix
Rosalyn Hall
Frances Huett
Clovie Fuller
Marjorie Bowen
Daphne Rowland
Mary Sue Kent
Elizabeth Hendrix
Doris Webb
Adelle Johnson
Grace Martin

As Queen of the Free fair the winner with her court of honor will ride on the Queen's float in the monster parade the opening day of the fair Tuesday, September 10. She will also preside over the patriotic pageant "America on Parade" which will be shown at the fair ground, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights during the fair.

The Queen and her attendants will be appropriately gowned for the occasion by the fair officials. Special gowns will be provided by the John B. Rodgers Producing Co., which is furnishing all costumes, necessary and special lighting effects for the pageant. Those who are interested in electing any of the above contestants Queen should cut out the coupons appearing in the local papers. The contest will close at 6 p. m. Saturday September 7.

Cheap Power Is State Need

Aluminum, Paper
Mills Shy Off
From Arkansas

LITTLE ROCK — The lack of an adequate power supply at rates comparable to those in the Tennessee Valley area may be the deciding factor which will prevent a proposed aluminum plant and paper mill from locating in the state, E. Smith Reed, industrial engineer for the Agricultural and Industrial Commission, said Monday.

Arkansas' officials will confer in Washington Tuesday with J. H. Reynolds, president of the Reynolds Tobacco Company and the Reynolds Metal Company, which plans to construct the new plant.

Mr. Reed said more than 300,000,000 kilowatt hours of electricity would be used annually. If this could be obtained at rates of about four mills per kw-hr the company would "jump at the chance" to locate in Arkansas, he said.

Power used in such quantity sells for two and one-half mills per kw-hr in the TVA area.

"If the White river development program, which will make a large quantity of cheap power available, were completed, we would not have this worry," he said.

The Reynolds Metal Company recently obtained a \$15,000,000 loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Mr. Reed said a site on the Saline river near Benton, Saline county, would be suggested as an ideal location for the proposed plants. A report has been prepared on the availability of wood pulp and water supplies and transportation facilities.

COTTON

NEW YORK — (AP) — December cotton opened 9.15, closed 9.13. Middling spot Middling spot 9.55.

Bolivian Tin King May Become Key Man in U. S. Defense If Shipping Lanes Are Closed

But U. S. Needs
Smelters from
Patino's Ore

Romantic Story
of Bolivian
Peasant's Rise to
Great Wealth

Second of two articles on tin, vital metal in U. S. rearming.

By TOM WOLF
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK — If ever-increasing Japanese pressure in Asia should close tin-rich Far East and if Germany should seal British merchant ships in European harbors, the destiny of America's vital tin supplies would fall right in the middle of the plump lap of a once-poor Bolivian named Simon I. Patino.

Hodas "Tin King" Patino, one of the world's largest individual producers of tin, owns 60 per cent of Bolivia's tin mines—sole appreciable source of the precious metal in the Western Hemisphere. Patino's sensational rise from humble origins in Cochabamba, Bolivia, where he was born during the American Civil War, to a fortune variously estimated between 150 and 300 millions is largely due to a woman who said "no."

Patino became a miner accidentally. Fired from a clerkship in a small store in Cochabamba because he accepted title to a tin mine as payment of \$250 a debt-ridden prospector owed the store, Patino set out in 1905 to work a 24-acre stake state high in the frigid Andes wastes in Uncia county.

Luck was with him. The first 100-pound loads of Patino ore that the sure-footed llamas carried down the treacherous Andes slopes assayed rich. Within a year an American firm was offering Patino what then seemed to him a fabulous price for his Salvadoran veins.

Patino Wife Dictates Decision

Then the woman said "no." "We will go bankrupt with Salvador," Patino's wife told him, or you will become el gran Mirador, the greatest of tin miners."

Patino kept his properties. His wife was right. He prospered, bought new mines, prospered more.

Soaring tin prices of the first World War put the finishing touches on his tin empire. Lacking domestic smelters, Patino ores traveled 9000 miles from Bolivia to refineries at Boodle, a small English town near Liverpool. In 1923 Patino bought a controlling interest in the smelters.

Soon Patino had mines, smelters, and a tieup with American consuming interests.

The American National Lead Co., with whom Patino had been associated in American smelters during the World War, invested in some of Patino's Bolivian mines. He rewarded the American concern with the chairmanship of Patino Mines and Enterprises Consolidated. Then he retired in Paris (where he had lived most of his life since 1911) to the fabulous luxury that was his due.

"Tin King's" Son Marries A Princess

Short, round, beautifully-dressed, Simon Patino lived up to his fortune, first as a private citizen, then as Bolivian minister to France. What ever he did he "said it with a smile"—his favorite expression.

He owned palaces in Paris, Nice, Biarritz in addition to several splendid mansions in his native Bolivia. He had six private automobiles. His regal mode was capped with reality in 1931 when his second son and business heir, Antenor, married a Bourbon princess.

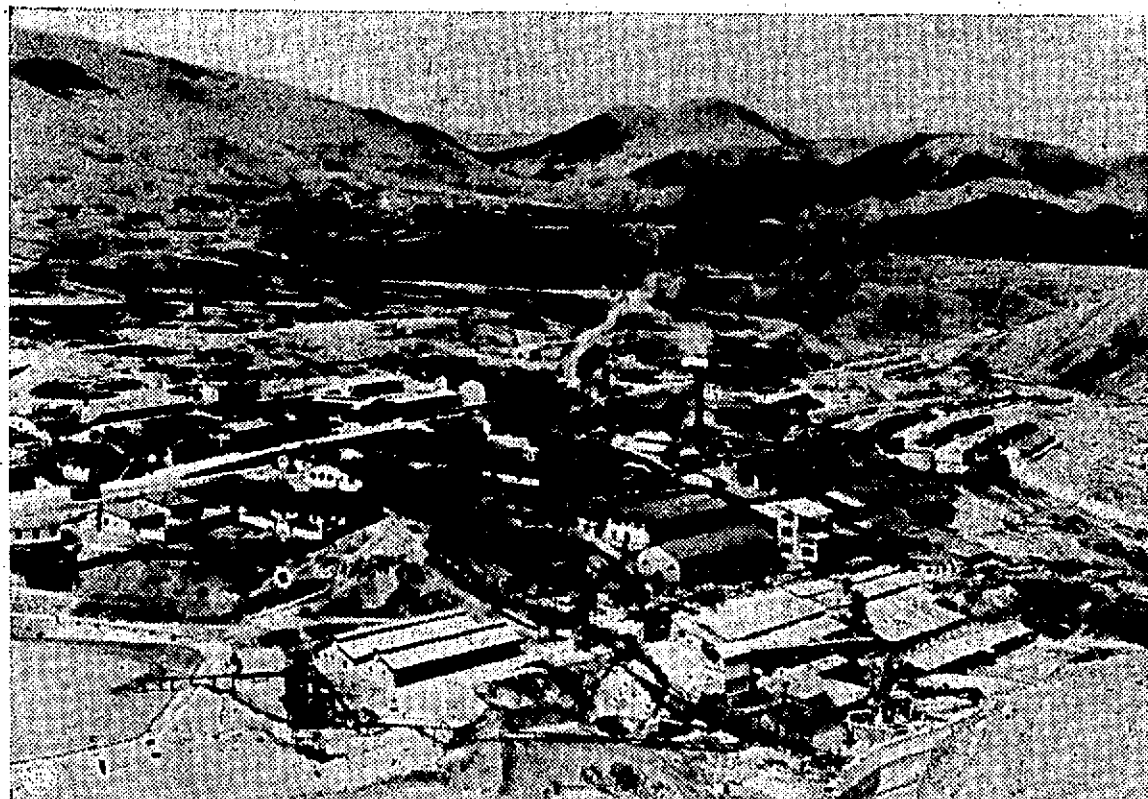
Such is the man who recently arrived in America on the invitation of U. S. defense experts to discuss the possibility of shipping Bolivian ores direct to the U. S., should the need arise. In the first press conference of his career he recently revealed that discussions with the Defense Commission would touch on the building of a large U. S. smelter.

There are, of course, other Bolivian tin producers, most important among whom are Hochschild and Aramayo. But since Patino economics provide the main stability for Bolivia's oft-shaky economies, with which they are inextricably interwoven, if Patino says "no," what Bolivian interest can afford to say "yes?"

Smelting the Tin Creates New Problems

Even should Senior Patino consent to deliver his ores to America, the U. S. tin supply would not automatically be assured. Domestic smelters can, of course, be built. Already the Phelps Dodge Corp. is experimentally refining Bolivian ores at a pilot smelter.

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High in the hills of Bolivia is the world's largest tin mine, at Llallagua, Bolivia. In the foreground is the mill; in distance is the village at the mouth of the mine.



Simon I. Patino... "tin king" of Bolivia.

Dr. Johnson to Leave Hope

Has Accepted a
Position With Fort
Smith Clinic

Dr. J. D. Johnson of Hope announced Tuesday that he had accepted a position with the Holt Krook Clinic in Fort Smith, and will specialize there in the treatment of eye, ear, nose and throat ailments.

Dr. Johnson has been associated with Dr. L. M. Lile for the past year, having been connected previously with a clinic in North Carolina.

The Fort Smith Clinic has a staff of 12 doctors, each a specialist in his own field, and treats approximately 30,000 patients each year.

Dr. and Mrs. Johnson will leave Hope September 1.

Tobacco Chewers to Be Treated Aug. 31

The Liggett & Meyers Tobacco company promises a treat to the tobacco chewers of Hope and surrounding territory here Saturday August 31 at which time 10,000 cuts of Spark Plug will be passed out free among the populace.

This was announced Tuesday by a salesman of the Liggett Meyers Co., makers of Chesterfield cigarettes.

Salesmen from all over Arkansas will be on hand to help pass out the Spark Plug cuts.

The Titanic disaster saved many lives since it made the world iceberg conscious and brought about the ice patrol.

A Thought

There is no future pang can deal that justice on the self-condemned, that he deals on his own soul.—Byron.

C. A. O'Neal, 82, Succumbs Here

Aged Hope Man
Dies at His
Home on Monday

C. A. O'Neal, 82, a resident of Hope for 28 years, died at his home on East Division street late Monday afternoon after being bedfast for about two weeks.

Mr. O'Neal was born in Tennessee in 1858 and was married to Ellie Sanford of Corinth, Miss., in 1882. He moved to Hope with his family 28 years ago where he has been in the construction business since that time.

Funeral services are tentative pending the arrival of a son, Jim O'Neal of Hope who is in New York and a daughter, Mrs. Eugene Davis of Los Angeles, Calif. However it is expected to be held at the Herndon-Cornelius Funeral Home Thursday with burial in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Surviving are his widow and one son, Jim of Hope, two daughters, Mrs. Jessie Bradshaw of San Antonio, Mrs. Eugene Davis of Los Angeles, Calif., two brothers, N. P. of Hope and A. A. of Arkadelphia and one sister, Mrs. R. A. Rogers of Gurdon, 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

War Tax Bill Is Advanced

House Committee
Approves
Amortizing Plants

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Breaking a protracted deadlock, the house ways and means committee approved unanimously Monday a 20 to 50 per cent tax on corporation "excess profits" and a plant amortization plan designed to speed up the letting of defense contracts.

The measure, asked by the administration,

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Local Sites to Be Inspected

Government Man
to Look Over
Airport Sites

The Chamber of Commerce is in receipt of a letter from Ed Travis, government aeronautics inspector from New Orleans, stating that he would arrive in Hope some time during the next 30 days to inspect possible sites for a municipal airport.

Several sites near Hope are under consideration and anyone having a tract of land suitable for a landing field is requested to submit an offer for the site, giving size and price, to the Chamber of Commerce.

Melon Sent to Radio Program

C of C Sends
120 lb. Melon to
Breakfast Club

R. P. Bowen, secretary of Hope Chamber of Commerce, announced Tuesday that a 120-pound watermelon had been sent to Don McNeil and other members of the Breakfast Club radio program in Chicago.

The melon was crated and expressed Monday night. Express charges amounted to \$3.50.

Mr. Bowen said the Chamber of Commerce had previously sent a 100 pound melon as a gift to the program and had received two 30 minute programs of priceless publicity and in return had promised an even larger melon.

The gift was well advertised in many newspapers as well as on the radio. Members of the troop ate the melon during one of the programs.

The melon, in perfect condition, was grown on the farm of A. W. Stubbeman.

1,001 Votes Are Cast Here at 2:30 Tuesday

All City
Precincts Show
Increase Over
First Primary

A survey of the seven voting precincts in Hope at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday showed a total of 1001 votes cast, as compared to the 883 votes cast at the same time in the preferential primary here August 13.

The voting Tuesday also showed an increase of 71 votes of the number cast at the time in the election here two years ago.

Ward 2 as usual led all other boxes in the number of votes cast. Both boxes are in the courtroom at the Hempstead courthouse and combined total shows that 240 votes have been cast.

Approximate strength for the Hope and county boxes will run somewhere in the neighborhood of 1,900 votes.

The Hope Star's election party starts promptly at 8 o'clock and everyone is invited.

Here is the vote at 3:30 p. m. Tuesday, compared with the vote at the same time in the first primary.

	Aug. 27	Aug. 13
Ward 1-A	155	129
Ward 1-B	154	143
Ward 2-A	125	125
Ward 2-B	115	207
Ward 3	142	140
Ward 4	82	74
County Box 5	114	90
County Box 6	114	100
Totals	1,001	883

State Vote Slow
LITTLE ROCK — (AP) — Reports were light to the average voting received at noon from over the state as Democratic voters went to the polls in the second primary election Tuesday.

In Little Rock where spirited county races fanned interest more than 5,000 ballots had been cast at noon—approximately the same figures for that hour in the preferential primary August 13.

Fort Smith in western Arkansas reported the average turn-out while Van Buren, its sister city, said the vote was light.

10 Farmers to Get Loans

1940-41 Program
Includes 10
Hempstead Tenants

An opportunity to become the owner of a family size farm will be given ten worthy low income farm families in Hempstead county during the next 10 months under the provisions of the Bankhead-Jones Tenant Purchase Act, said W. M. Sparks, Rural FSA Supervisor.

"The Tenant Purchase program has been expanded and we expect to make ten loans during the 1940-41 program," he said. During the last four years, 20 farm families in this county have purchased family-size farms at a cost of \$357,404 or an average of \$2,870.20.

"The purpose of the Tenant Purchase program is to help worthy low income farm tenants, sharecroppers, day laborers and others who derive the major part of their income from agriculture purchase farms. These farms must be family size farms—farms that will give the family a sufficient income to retire the debt and provide the family with a good standard of living."

Mr. Sparks emphasized the fact that the farms are family-size farms—farms that the family can operate without outside labor except at peak periods. The loans are made for a period of 40 years at three per cent interest. The loans may be repaid by the fixed payment plan or the variable payment plan.

Farmers who plan to apply for these loans should do so now so that work can be started on the loans. Under the plans for this year, the FSA is making an effort to get the new loans approved in time for the families to begin farming their new land early next year.

Applications may be filed with the county FSA supervisor.

Landowners who have farms for sale list their property with the FSA office so that the approved applicants may know where to look for a family size farm.

High Consumption

Each year, American blast furnaces consume enough raw materials in the form of ore, coke, limestone, etc., to cover a city square block one and one-third mile deep. Weight of this pile would be 114,000,000 tons.

The Voting Coupon

5 Votes

QUEEN of
HEMPSTEAD COUNTY FAIR
"AMERICA ON PARADE"

I vote for: _____

(Coupon may be deposited in boxes at, Cox Drug Co., Hope Confectionery, and Checkered Cafe.)

Voting will close Saturday, September 7, 6 p. m.

5 Votes

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SOCIETY

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Social Calendar

Tuesday, August 27th
Monthly Social meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club, Miss Beryl Henry hostess at Experiment Station Club house, 7 o'clock.

Tuesday Bridge Club, home of Mrs. Harold Hobson, 2:30 o'clock. Bridge - luncheon for Mrs. Thompson Evans Jr., Mrs. T. S. McDavitt, 10:30 a. m. luncheon at the Barlow.

Wednesday, August 28th
Mrs. George Robinson will compliment Mrs. Thompson Evans Jr. with an afternoon bridge, 2:30 o'clock.

Announcement

The Intermediate class of the First Christian Church, Sunday School will have a cold drink stand in the alley between the "Star" office and the Post office. The proceeds will be contributed to the building fund of the church.

W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church Meets at the Church for Bible Study

Proceeding the monthly Bible study for the members of the W. M. S. of the First Baptist church. Mrs. L. F. Higginson had an executive meeting for the members of the Executive committees of the society. The general business matters for the September meeting were discussed.

Mrs. F. L. Padgett led the Bible study at the Missionary meeting. She selected for her subject the Books of Acts.

Twenty members responded to the roll call.

Children of the Confederacy Dance.

Is a social summer dance of the Clara Lowthory Chapter of the Children of the Confederacy was a social event of Monday evening at the Hope Country Club. Mrs. H. C. Whitworth and Mrs. Thompson Evans were the chairpersons.

The following members and their dates signed the register: Miss Alice Newton of Little Rock and W. D. Oliver, Miss Ira Monroe of Kilgore, Texas and Wallace Monroe, Miss Mary

Joe Monroe and Bill Routon, Miss Martha Houston and John Barrow, Miss Patsy Ann Campbell and Jimmy Hendrix, Miss Mary Lee Anderson of Athens, Texas and Charles Bundy, Miss Carolyn Trimble and Ira Youim, Miss Mary Sue Kent and Bill Tom Bundy, Miss Wanda Lane and Sam Smith, Miss Mary Evelyn Whitworth and Terrell Hutson, Miss Mary Lee Cook and J. T. Luck, Miss Frances Harrell and Tommy Bacon, Miss Mary Ross McFadden and Paul Hutson, Miss Dorothy Henry and Buddy Singleton, Miss Lillie May Collier and Tom Pat Cook, Miss Martha White and Crit Stuart Jr., Miss Pauline Hatcher and Sedford Bell, Miss Mary Ann Lile and Bob Lile of Jonesboro, Miss Ruth Bowden and Winston Riddle, Miss Peggy McNeil, Gwendolyn Evans, Miss Gladys Webster and Weldon Taylor, Miss Mary Wilson and Wilton Jewell, Tom Jobe, Thomas Kinser, Charles Crutchfield, Hugh Carson, Olin Jones, Mark Buchanan, Thomas Gordon, Richard Finwick, Briant Bundy, Bobby Glaze, of Bearden, Arkansas, Lila Jones, Tommy Turner, J. W. Patterson Jr., David Coleman, Dorsey Fuller, Arthur Darr, Ira Halliburton, Dan Filkinton, Fred Taylor, Henry Taylor, Burger Jones of Conway, and Bobby Reynerson.

Miss Betty Jane Allen and Patricia Ann Elley Have Lawn Party

Miss Betty Jane Allen and Patricia Ann Elley entertained with a lawn party Monday night from 7:30 to 10:00 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Allen on 14th street. The lawn was beautifully decorated with strings of colored lights. Games were enjoyed during the evening. A delicious salad plate with an iced drink was served at the conclusion of the games.

The guest list was: Jessie Clarice Brown, Betty Ann Benson, Barbara LaGrone, Eva Jean Milam, Alice Lorraine Heard, Dorothy O'Neil, Sophia Williams, Pat Williams, Betty Joe Methwin, Matilda McFadden, Norma Jean Archer, George Newbern, Austin Ross, Bobby Ward, Jack Duffie, Johnny and Sonny Brannan, Freddie Patton, H. O. Kyles Jr., Charles Benson, Ray Martin, Charles Thomas, and Billy Duckett. Out of town guests included, Martha Ann Ellen of Columbus, Buddy Benson of Galveston, Texas, and Ray Martin of San Antonio, Texas.

The hostesses were assisted by their mothers, Mrs. R. C. Ellen and Mrs. Ray Allen.

St. Louis Visitors Entertained On Monday

Honoring Miss Tolitha Alsen and Miss Mary Ann Cramer of St. Louis, Miss June and Norma Duke invited a number of friends to their home for a lawn party on Monday evening.

"Cokes" and cookies were served to the following guests: Miss Margaret Bush, Miss Frances Gynn Williams, Miss Mickey Boyette, Miss Betty June Alsen, Miss Marjorie O'Neil, Miss Marion Crutchfield, Miss Virginia O'Neil, Miss Rose May Dosselt, Miss Mary Joe Dickinson, Miss Ella Joe Edmondson, Miss Mary Jane Hearne, Miss Billy James, Miss Dorothy Ruth Dadds, Miss Sara Jane Murphy, Miss Evelyn Steed of Conway, Miss Dorothy Dale Wallbert of Little Rock, Miss Daisy Nell Dickinson of Prescott, Miss Mary Ann Cramer and Miss Tolitha Alsen of St. Louis.

Miss Dorothy Son of Hot Springs is the house guest of Miss Marjory Wadde.

Hugh Carson will leave this week for El Paso, Texas, where he will resume his studies in the Engineering school there.

Mrs. Arval Cox announces the arrival of little son, Arval Tilman Cox on Monday, August 26 at the Josephine hospital.

Miss Frances Lipscomb has returned to El Dorado after a visit with friends and relatives in the city.

The Rev. and Mrs. William Brewer and sons have returned to their home in Augusta after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Higginson.

Mrs. Nathan Harbor and little son, Joe Nathan, have returned from a visit with relatives in Little Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Bundy spent Sunday with relatives in Booneville, Arkansas.

Mrs. Houston Wolff has returned from a visit with friends and relatives in Longview, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lipscomb and son, Jerry, left Tuesday morning for their home in Oklahoma City, Okla. after a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Lipscomb. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Garlison and children, Carolyn and John Allen returned to their home Sunday afternoon after a visit in the Lipscomb home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Picard (Norma Christopher) and children are in the city on business.

Miss Mary Joe Monroe has returned from Kilgore, Texas, where she was the guest of cousins. She was accompanied home by Miss Ira Monroe.

What a Girl!



If you don't think there's a girl who would pass up a screen career, change your mind. Here she is - Margaret McDonald, formerly University of Southern California co-ed. Her part in amateur movie brought her an offer of a Hollywood role. She turned it down, saying she'd finish college, then raise dogs and horses.

St. Louis, and the hostesses.

Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nolen have returned from a motor trip to Tennessee and Alabama points. Mrs. Nolen attended the Episcopal camp at Swamee, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wright of Norman Oklahoma and Mrs. Harry Wright and son, Bobby of Texarkana were Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Lipscomb.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Graves had as house guests during the past week-end, their daughter, Mrs. A. T. Gossett, and Mr. Gossett, and their daughter, Miss Ruby Elizabeth, and Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Hutcherson all of Memphis, Tennessee.

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WITH THE HOME AGENT

Mary Claude Fletcher

Good health for the working man and his family is an important part of any national program for preparedness. Good health rests on a foundation for good nutrition. This in turn depends on well-planned diets, explains Miss Mary Claude Fletcher, county home demonstration agent.

To help the homemaker plan well-balanced meals, the Federal Bureau of Home Economics has prepared a set of diet plans, that are simple and easy to understand. The nutritionists first did a great deal of research. They counted calories, estimated the protein needs, and figured out the requirements for minerals and vitamins.

Summertime is picnic time, but careful cooks will remember that even picnic meals should be well balanced. Housewives whose duties have been expanded during the hot weather to include the frequent preparation of picnic lunches will find their picnic worries simplified if they observe the following suggestions made by Miss Mary E. Loughhead of the University of Arkansas College of Agriculture.

Plan the picnic meal around some hot dish. A vacuum jug will keep food either hot or cold for hours. If the family has such a jug, prepare soup, stew, chili, or almost any food at home and serve it hot at the picnic. If not, take a covered casserole of scalloped potatoes, tomatoes, or mixed vegetables that will hold its heat an hour or so.

SERIAL STORY

LOVE ON THE LINE

BY PAUL FRIGGENS

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YESTERDAY, Carrie and Lane came to the frontier town of Sioux Springs to take up a home-stand. An orphan, she has come west for her wealth. But the frontier in 1940 was no place for a woman alone. Mark Deuel, a professional in the girl, would protect her, Carrie is brave, confident, as she talks of the future. Mark knows their lives must be linked.

CHAPTER II

CARRIE was ready and waiting when Ashton Oaks drove up to the hotel in his rented buggy later for her in the morning. She had prepared a lunch. Mrs. Farmley had suggested it when Carrie told her the land agent had offered to drive her out to her new home-stand.

"And say," she added, her arms akimbo, and winking knowingly, "if it don't make no difference to you, who is this land agent fellow anyhow?" That was the way Mark kept up on the day's news, asking people questions, pertinent and impertinent. But nobody seemed to mind, including Carrie. Mrs. Farmley invited confidence.

Carrie explained she had met him on the train out of Chicago, that when he had learned she was coming to Sioux Springs, he had offered to help her get settled. He was buying several town lots in Sioux Springs himself, he had told her, and would clean up with the railroad due to come in soon. When she returned from the land office, he had suggested he hire a buggy to take her out to Rock Creek next day. She had accepted. Ashton Oaks was patronizingly pleasant now as he assisted Carrie up to the buggy.

"Town look any better to you today, Miss Lane," he inquired. "Oh, yes, ever so much better." Leaving him at the hotel last night, Carrie had had her first twinge of foreboding about Sioux

Springs, the west and homestead-land. Really, there was no town and the prairie seemed to swallow up both ends of the single main street. With a sudden, short start of fear she recalled Colonel Barrington's words—"This is no country for a woman alone."

But now, in the bright morning sunlight, Carrie was actually more assured. Things somehow looked better today with the wagons rattling forth and back, churning up the dust, a long line of settlers forming again at the low, squat land office down the street. There was a purpose, a new hope here, she sensed now, for the first time.

Ashton Oaks, watching her, spoke of these things as they jogged past the last rambling building at the edge of town and followed the deeply rutted trail across the burning grasslands north to Rock Creek.

"They all start like this, these frontier towns, Miss Lane. I've seen a hundred of them since the homestead law. I could have bought them all—at first. And I did buy a few." He phrased his words significantly, slapped the reins across the backs of the shaggy bays. "But they changed their change pretty fast. The railroad'll do that here like it did back east not so long ago. You won't know Sioux Springs in a year."

He went on, picturing the growing town, the flow of new settlers, the rise in land values, the pushing back of the raw frontier.

"But there's so much of this land," she interrupted. "Will it ever be worth anything, Mr. Oaks?" She was thinking suddenly of her homestead on Rock Creek and the growth of Sioux Springs and the substantial savings her father had left her for investment. Was there more out here than health?

Whether Ashton Oaks read her mind, he answered her question. Fortunes lay out here for the asking, he told her. He was still elaborating on that theme at noon when the buggy splashed into Rock Creek at the head of a pretty little valley. Oaks stopped to

water the horses and Carrie spread her lunch under a convenient fringe of cottonwood trees along the bank.

THEY ate rather hurriedly, Carrie in her enthusiasm, and started up the valley to her claim. With the aid of Colonel Barrington's instructions and a mound of rocks at the section line, they found it easily. The slow grasses touched the horses' bellies as Oaks drove off the rutted trail and up toward a little knoll back from the creek. This, he suggested, would be an excellent site for Carrie's soddy. Carrie agreed. It commanded a superb view, was out of danger of high water. Her closest neighbors would be perhaps a mile distant, Oaks told her.

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low-voiced. He went on, quickly. "You remember, Miss Lane, I told you only this afternoon the railroad will make this town. Well, tonight I have information

it is due here this fall." He paused, noting Carrie's obvious start.

"Oh, I know, I know this is pretty sudden," he went on hastily. "But, Miss Lane, I saw your feeling there at the homestead today. I know it's no life for a woman alone, and I'm glad to do something for you, Miss Lane," he continued, hardly before Carrie could interrupt. "I can give you the best lots in Sioux Springs—railroad sites—and tonight."

Carrie was incredulous. She started to speak, but a quiet, familiar voice interrupted at her side.

"Pardon, Miss Lane, but if this gentleman is selling you Sioux Springs because the railroad is coming in, I can tell you it isn't."

ASHTON OAKS whirled, his face blue with anger. His first impulse was to lunge at Mark, but he held back.

"What—what do you mean?" he stammered. "The railroad's not coming to Sioux Springs? Who—who are you, anyway? Miss Lane, I'm sorry, but this gentleman is a liar!"

Mark's fist shot out in one vicious blow and the agent staggered against the desk. There was a sudden uproar in the sweltering little lobby. A settler grabbed Mark, but Deuel broke loose, lunged toward Oaks. The agent, hatless, was snarling, his hand at his side.

Mark was stopped again. Carrie, grasping his lapels, was begging, pleading with him.

"Don't—don't!" she cried. "He—he'll kill you!" She almost screamed the words.

Mark straightened. Men crowded around him, separating him from the glowing agent. Someone was handing Oaks his hat. Carrie was looking up imploringly into Mark's eyes.

"Miss—Miss Lane," he reded, "I'm sorry, but I couldn't see that happen. Some day I may tell you why. I think you'd better go to your room now."

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Harrison in Hollywood

by PAUL HARRISON, NEA Service Correspondent

Vince Barnett's Career as a Ribber Over Because He Can't Find Any New Victims

HOLLYWOOD — Vincent Barnett, the ribber, is working in his 13th motion picture as a bartender. He has a few good scenes and he isn't complaining. But there are many of us who are clever enough—face-to-face—to fool and infuriate statesmen, and all manner of other celebrities does not have better roles in flickers.

Although he's only 37 and apparently has lost none of his agility in flinging insults, Barnett's ribbing career seems about over. This is because almost everyone knows him.

Engaged to brighten up the banquet of the last convention of district attorneys, he went first to a studio make-up expert and was fitted out with an elaborate disguise including a oupee. The minute he entered the banquet room there was a chorused murmur of "Look—there's Vince Barnett!" He had a hard time finding a victim.

If you don't remember, this actor is a son of Luke Barnett, who for 40 years has made a handsome living by playing jokes on famous people. At 64 he's still doing it, living in Pittsburgh and traveling all over the east. Mostly he works at banquets as an awkward, stupid, stubborn, and maddeningly insolent waiter.

Nazi Spy Role Fools Critics
Vince has done that, too, but he prefers appearing as some visiting foreign notable, usually a German. Lately he has amused himself at parties around Hollywood by seeming to be a Nazi agent.

Other evening he was turned loose on a British officer who is here to buy planes. Barnett has a Carnegie Tech education and has been a flyer himself, so he can ask some searching questions about aviation. He also pretended to get drunk and make some conversational slips which he clumsily tried to cover up.

Pretty soon the Englishman got to a telephone and called Carl Squire, vice president of Lockheed Aircraft, with the breathless news he had discovered a spy. Squire appeared half an hour later and for once was not very glad to see his friend Vince Barnett. The plane-maker was dog tired and

had got out of bed to rush to the party.

The ribber knows a lot of high army officials, and one of them introduced him (as a Captain Von Ogenstrahm) to a couple of Curtiss-Wright technicians who had been developing a 16-cylinder, in-line engine. It was all a great secret at the time, so the inventors nearly fainted when "Von Ogenstrahm" began chatting about an engine he had perfected and went on to describe their engine to the last essential detail.

In Washington, Gen. Henry Arnold persuaded Barnett to rib Gen. Malin Craig when the latter was chief of staff. Barnett's approach was a fantastic and heavily accented denial that a group of Slovak citizens, at Long Beach, Calif., whom he represented, be allowed to practice flying military planes. In a couple of minutes there was an awful row, with the visitor screaming about red tape and politics. To General Craig's insistence that there was no politics in the army, Barnett demanded, "Then how did you get your job?"

As if that weren't bad enough, he then took \$10,000 bills from his pocket and suggested that, maybe, if he dropped them on the floor, as he went out he might find an air corps commission awaiting him in Long Beach. General Craig probably was the angriest man who ever wore stars.

And Punch For Dessert
You'd think Barnett would always be dodging punches, and he has ducked a few. Posing as a new Metro producer during a party at Joan Crawford's house, he insulted Clark Gable until the star launched a swing that might have had Barnett spinning, if it had connected.

Only man who ever really hit him, he declares, was old Roald Amundsen at a Aero Club dinner in Pittsburgh in 1924. Engaged to harpoon him, Barnett made some remarks reflecting on his skill and integrity as an explorer. Amundsen rose, gravely apologized to the guests for what was about to happen, and then smacked the ribber colder than an igloo.

one city to another in the United Kingdom, he had to check out with the police of one town and check in with the police of the other.

And even though he continued to live in the same town, he had to report every change of address, even if he moved from 20 Baker street to 21 Baker street.

Well remembered is the case of an American singing comedienne, a great favorite in London, who failed to notify the police she had changed her home address. Her name was shining in blazing lights two feet high over the theater where she acted, but she was haled into court, severely lectured by the judge and fined \$25 for her heinous offense.

By its legislation America is simply falling into line. And incidentally, the alien registration law does not apply only to Germans and Italians, but to all aliens alike.

Relief Cases Show Increase
Ninety-eight urban areas in the United States had an increase in July over one of 1 per cent in the number of general relief cases and an increase of 3 per cent in their cost.

But the remarkable thing was that in quite a number of towns, while the cases increased numerically, the cost was less. Probability is this was because needy did not get coal and supplied than meat and other heavy that move fruits and vegetables were and costlier foodstuffs.

Data received by the U. S. Social Security Board came from 30 states and the District of Columbia. The board defines general relief as including all state and local relief in cash and goods extended to the needy, except public assistance to the aged, blind, dependent children and aid to veterans.

Total for the urban areas reported shows 653,910 cases, costing \$19,352,900 for the month of July.

As was to be expected, New York City led with 154,000 cases on relief in July. Other big cities reported: Chicago, 88,544; Los Angeles, 50,883; Philadelphia, 58,495; Pittsburgh, 34,629; Cleveland, 21,182; Milwaukee, 19,527; San Francisco, 11,936; Cincinnati, 6940.

not discouraging manufacturing companies from making plant expansions needed for defense. Corporations making no more than \$5,000 a year are exempted.

The committee made a number of changes in the proposals of its Tax Subcommittee, headed by Representative Cooper (Dem., Tenn.). Generally, these changes were designed to make the tax stiffer on corporations with high earnings and lower on concerns earning small profits.

The measure includes a provision for suspending the Vinson-Trammell act's limitations of eight and seven per cent on profits from warships and military aircraft. The suspension would be applicable to all years during which the excess profits tax is in force.

The amendment plan would permit government contractors and subcontractors to deduct from their taxable income the entire cost of any new facilities completed after July fence. These deductions would be at the rate of 20 per cent a year for five years. The Defense Commission and the secretary of navy or war would have to certify that the plants were needed for defense.

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Bruce Catton Says:

By BRUCE CATTON, NEA Washington Correspondent

Germany, Italy Moan Over U. S. Alien Registry

While Bruce Catton vacations, other members of NEA Service's Washington staff pinch-hit for him.

By MILTON BRONNER
NEA Service Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON — In Germany and, more particularly, in Italy, a mighty squawk is being raised over the United States law which compels all aliens to register and to file their fingerprints with the government.

Robert Farinacci one of the big shots in the Fascist outfit, moans in his paper, "Regime Fascista," published in Cremona, that in America it is a crime to belong to the people who produced Columbus.

The exquisite joke about this particular sentence is that Farinacci is one of the leading anti-Semites in Italy. A great Spanish writer recently wrote about Columbus that all evidences available show he was descended from Spanish Jewish refugees settled in Italy.

Farinacci goes on to say all Germans and Italians in America are fingerprinted as if they were criminals.

England Keeps Close Tab
The fact is the United States is one of the last great countries to adopt some measure of control of the aliens within its borders. All over Europe, long before the present war, aliens were the subject of government measures.

In democratic England, for instance, on American or any other alien, if he remained in the country more than 60 days, had to report to the nearest police station with two photographs of himself, one for the files

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